FINAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

SUBMISSION OF REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO

Section 3406(b), Mediterranean Fruit Fly Interior Quarantine
Title 3, California Code of Regulations

Update of Initial Statement of Reasons/Policy Statement Overview

The initial statement of reasons/policy statement overview is still valid.

Summary of and Response to Objections or Comments Regarding the Regulations

The summary of and response to each objection or comment received during the written comment period or received before or during the public hearing, if one was held are as follows:

No written comments or request for a public hearing were received during the public comment period.

Mandate on Local Agencies and School Districts

The Department of Food and Agriculture has determined that Section 3406 does not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts, except that an agricultural commissioner of a county under quarantine has a duty to enforce Section 3406. No reimbursement is required for Section 3406 under Section 177561 of the Government Code because the Agricultural Commissioner of San Bernardino County requested the change in the regulation. Therefore, there are no mandated costs associated with the addition of this area (Rancho Cucamonga) to the regulation.

The Department also has determined that no savings or increased costs to any state agency, no reimbursable costs or savings under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of the Government Code to local agencies or school districts, no nondiscretionary costs or savings to local agencies or school districts, and no costs or savings in federal funding to the State will result from the proposed action.

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The cost impact of the changes in the regulations on a representative private person or business is expected to be insignificant. The Department has determined that this action will not have a significant adverse economic impact on housing costs or California businesses, including the ability of California businesses to compete with businesses in other states.

Assessment

The Department has made an assessment that this amendment to the regulations would <u>not</u> (1) create or eliminate jobs within California, (2) create new business or eliminate existing businesses within California, or (3) affect the expansion of businesses currently doing business within California.

<u>Alternatives Considered</u>

The Department of Food and Agriculture has determined that no alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which the action is proposed or would be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action.